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Date: Sun, 5 Nov 89 22:30:40 EST
From: es!Jay_Appell_office@harvard.harvard.edu
Subject:

PRO-34 scanner mod:
If you want to restore the 800Mhz frequencies, remove D-11.
Add 66-88Mhz, install a diode at location D-9.
Keep D-10 in place for full 800 Mhz coverage.
Only D10 & D-11 are factory installed.

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Date: 5 Nov 89 21:06:08 GMT
From: uw-entropy!dataio!pilchuck!ssc!tad@beaver.cs.washington.edu (Tad Cook)
Subject: ARRL incoming bureau - info request

In article <10924@csl.Stanford.EDU>, kawai@csl.Stanford.EDU (Goh Kawai) writes:
> I sent a check to the ARRL 6th district DX bureau, asking for QSL
> cards, but they haven't replied. I mailed my letter about a month
> ago, so I'm not worried very much - only anxious to get my cards.
> Anybody have any idea how long it takes for them to generate a reply?
> The 6th district bureau sells credits, so I sent them a check and some
> address labels. I am sure I have accumulated some cards.
>
> >goh<
> (kawai@csl.stanford.edu [arpanet]) (76056,1726 [CompuServe]) (n6uok [radio])

These bureaus are operated by clubs on a volunteer basis. The one I am familiar with (somewhat) is the 7th area bureau. They get together about

every month and go through the mail. Different members have responsibilities for different letters of the alphabet. So how I get my cards depends on the time and work of the guy responsible for the H section.

If you mailed your letter a month ago, don't worry. There isn't a staff of clerks on hand to answer all the mail.

Also, for anyone else reading this, don't assume that they all will take checks and send cards. Most want ONLY 5 by 7 1/2 inch SASEs with your call in block letters in the upper left hand corner. Generally the more postage you put on, the more they wait to fill up the envelope. I put on 65 cents (3 oz) and always get away with more weight. They also like small contributions.

For more details, it is covered once a year in the Hows DX column in QST, and there is a good outline on page 5-16 in the ARRL Operating Manual.

73,

Tad Cook
tad@ssc.UUCP
KT7H @ N7HFZ
MCI Mail: 3288544

Date: 2 Nov 89 13:39:30 GMT
From: attcan!telly!lethe!torsqnt!tmsoft!nebulus!root@uunet.uu.net (Dennis S. Breckenridge)
Subject: I want my old callsign back !

root@raider.MFEE.TN.US (Bob Reineri) writes:

>Having just been bitten by the ham bug again after 8 years of inactivity, I
>wonder if it is possible to get my original callsign back.

>My original call was WB4QV0. About three years ago, I happened across my ham

I posted the reply to let others know about a service that is available.
I looked you up in the 1989 Callbook and your old call is not listed. This is usually a good sign.

The Radio Amateur Callbook company offers a FREE service of callsign lookup. You call a bbs in the Chicago area (312) and it prompts you for a callsign. Don't get all excited just yet, if it finds the callsign in its database it tells you that this callsign is a published callsign and it does not give you any more information. Here is the info:

Telephone (312) 234-8011 300/1200 baud 8 data-bits 1 stop, no parity.

there is a description that differs from mine in the 1989 callbook on page 33A.

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Dennis S. Breckenridge VE3-GSS QTH: Toronto, Canada
AMPR.ORG: [44.135.88.55] UUCP: uunet!tmsoft!nebulus!dennis

Date: 6 Nov 89 03:40:14 GMT
From: cadnetix.COM!cadnetix!rusty@uunet.uu.net (Rusty Carruth)
Subject: Just in case you missed it...

Just in case you missed it (there are a few who have, and email refuses to work any more for those for whom its broken):

The fcc tape with the callsign stuff has arrived.
I've turned it into something useful.

If you've been waiting for this announcement, wait no more! :-)

Thanks. We now return you to your regularly scheduled QSL card debate "-) :-) and ;-)

---Join the usenet un-net, 28.410 and/or 28.390, 1600Z to 1700Z saturdays!
Rusty Carruth. Radio: N7IKQ ^^ or later :-)
DOMAIN: rusty@cadnetix.com UUCP:{uunet,boulder}!cadnetix!rusty
home: POB. 461, Lafayette 80026

Date: 6 Nov 89 03:36:24 GMT
From: cadnetix.COM!cadnetix!rusty@uunet.uu.net (Rusty Carruth)
Subject: The callsign project, bounced mail, life.

I've had some trouble contacting some people who have tried to ask me questions about the callsign project. (Lets be truthful and say that I've had a LOT of trouble contacting some people...)

So, if you are expecting mail from me and I've been ignoring you, I'm probably not ignoring you, I'm just stuck in bounced mail purgatory... Perhaps a phone call to me at either (303) 444-8075 (w) or (303) 673-9041 (h) would be in order. Or,

email me again with your phone number, a new email path, or whatever is appropriate....

The same applies to those of you waiting for news that the FCC tape has arrived. Its here, the first batch of tapes are out (and in the hands of the 'project-ees' :-)), and I'm still waiting for some of you to send your tapes... Please do not delay any longer! Thanks!

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Date: 6 Nov 89 02:30:05 GMT
From: cadnetix.COM!cadnetix!rusty@uunet.uu.net (Rusty Carruth)
Subject: Trend towards requiring SASEs for domestic QSLs?

In article <8911021543.AA06497@decwrl.dec.com> reisert@victim.dec.com (Jim -- LTN1-2/H03 -- DTN 226-6905) writes:

>I always use an SASE when I want a card back.

Well, now that I'm about to get some QSL cards made, this brings up a question. I had always assumed that you stuck a 15 cent stamp on the card and mailed it that way (i.e. not in an envelope). From the coments I've see here, it seems that maybe thats not such a good way.

Shucks, it looks like I'm going to spend about \$75 for the cards I want (qty 500-1000, which comes out to either 15 cents or 7 cents, depending), plus 25cents for sticking it into an envelope, plus 25cents for the sase? Ouch! Oh, well. I guess the choice is to use 15 cent stamps and hope I get returns, or use 25 cents and a sase if I *really* want the card.

(Ok, Ok, I'm "only" talking 50 cents verses 15 cents, but thats an increase of 333%, and when you consider I've already got about 40 cards to send out, our little hobby starts to add up in ways I had not been expecting... Oh, well)

So, for those of you who send cards without SASE's, do you stick the card in an envelope or do you use the card as a post card?

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Date: 2 Nov 89 19:14:00 GMT
From: attcan!telly!lethe!torsqnt!tmsoft!masnet!canremote!greg.trice@uunet.uu.net
(GREG TRICE)
Subject: Units of Measure (was flu

Is not the reason why there are so many standards of measurement the arbitrariness of them all? Nearly all units in any system are based on quite arbitrarily chosen quantities inherited from the dawn of the technology. Then some of the so-called fundamental units are themselves derived units, e.g. why meter - KILOgram -second? Would not meter -gram -second have been more logical?

Actually better than any of these would be a system of measurements based on fundamental physical constants. Give things like Planck's Constant, the velocity of light in vacuo, and the electronic charge the value of 1 and derive units of mass, length, time and electromagnetic units from them. Five constants should be sufficient (h, c, e, G(universal gravitational constant) and k (Boltzmann's Constant)). In the meantime who cares what units anybody uses as long as they know what is meant?

* Via ProDoor 3.1R

Date: 5 Nov 89 18:02:58 GMT
From: n8emr!gws@tut.cis.ohio-state.edu (Gary Sanders)
Subject: VK2SG RY DX 11/3/89

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| Relayed from packet radio via |
| N8EMR's Ham BBS, 614-457-4227 (1200/2400/19.2 telebit,8N1) |
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RTTY DX notes for week ending 3rd November 1989 (BID RTDX0311)

I saw a funny thing the other day from a packet station, who complained about deliberate QRM on 21097 KHz (which is 21095 KHz Mark frequency plus 2.1 KHz Mark tone). Did not the poor child realize that was the W1AW frequency they had been using for the past 50 years, four times a day? Or must the ARRL now move to suit the foibles of the packet operators? Life gets very hard these days.

Our thanks this week go to I5FLN, OD5NG, VE3JPC, VK2EG, W1DA, W2JGR and W0LHS. Thanks chaps for your assistance.

Bandpass:

Friday:

TU2BB	28096	at	1050Z	QSL
UZ9CWA	14084	at	1140Z	
A35VB	14084	at	1145Z	QSL
FK8FM	14084	at	1147Z	
YB5QZ	14088	at	1520Z	
C6A/G0AZT	28093	at	1540Z	
S92LB	14089	at	1814Z	Note/QSL
9K2DR	14079	at	1947Z	ARQ
TR8KMJ	14087	at	2008Z	QSL
TZ6VV	14095	at	2203Z	

Saturday:

5B4NC	28089	at	1224Z	
TK5IU	21088	at	1327Z	
GW6PQQ/5N29	21086	at	1345Z	
9J2AL	21085	at	1533Z	
YC7FH	21088	at	1537Z	
C6A/G0AZT	28088	at	1550Z	
CU3EM	28086	at	1557Z	
S92LB	14087	at	1900Z	
EA9NP	14085	at	1935Z	
5A3NL	21087	at	1950Z	
A35VB	28088	at	2215Z	

Sunday:

EL7D	28086	at	0740Z	
A35VB	14084	at	0840Z	
EA9JV	28090	at	1018Z	
S92LB	28090	at	1030Z	
TJ1DL	28078	at	1128Z	ARQ
C6A/G0AZT	28095	at	1207Z	
TU2BB	21086	at	1521Z	
TA3B	21088	at	1827Z	
FP5HL	14088	at	1925Z	QSL
YN4JR	14092	at	2216Z	QSL

Monday:

A35VB	28085	at	0120Z	
C6A/G0AZT	14091	at	0139Z	
ZD8BOB	14077	at	0840Z	
CU3EM	21087	at	0940Z	
RL8PYL	28083	at	1130Z	
S92LB	28088	at	1312Z	

Tuesday:

HB0/DL6EAQ	14079	at	1106Z	
OH0/DL2ZBN	28091	at	1132Z	
RA9CQM	14088	at	1150Z	
HL1SX	14084	at	1212Z	QSL
C6A/G0AZT	28090	at	1700Z	
ZC4NC	14092	at	1745Z	
HB0/HB9AQN	14090	at	1750Z	
SV9ABG	14078	at	2030Z	
ZD7CW	14093	at	2206Z	QSL

Wednesday:

9K2KA	14074	at	0039Z	ARQ/QSL
CU3EM	14091	at	0245Z	
UI8FM	14088	at	0455Z	
RL8PYL	28083	at	0747Z	
OH0/DL3FCE	28096	at	0820Z	
9M8AX	28092	at	1014Z	QSL
6W6JX	28085	at	1515Z	
FM5CD	28093	at	2230Z	

Thursday:

TU2BB	14093	at	0050Z	
FK8FM	14090	at	1000Z	
9K2TX	14078	at	1955Z	

QSL Information:

TU2BB will QSL via N2HOS. There will be a slight delay while the logs are received and the QSL cards printed, so don't get too anxious.

S92LB, Walter, DJ6QT, will print the QSL cards on his return to his home call of DJ6QT.

A35VB cards go via OH3GZ.

TR8KMJ receives his QSL cards from Box 129, Port Gentil, Gabon.

FP5HL says to send his cards to Box 1107, St. Pierre.

YN4JR QSL address is Box 122, Jinotepe, Nicaragua.

ZD7CW will QSL via N4CID.

HL1SX QSLs via C.P.O. Box 162, Seoul 100-601 Korea.

9M8AX says to QSL to JA5DQH.

9K2KA says to QSL to Box 30, Safat, Kuwait.

Notes of Interest:

Apparently Walter had an expensive trip to Sao Tome. He will produce the QSL cards, and possibly let us all know the details on his return.

OH2BGD and group will start operating from ZK3 on 4th November.

EA9JV is still reporting that he will be operating from S0 (Western Sahara) from 13th to 16th November.

A group of five, including KA8TKB, WB2KXA and KB2XS are planning an East Malaysia trip and will operate 9M6BS from November 16 through 23rd, then V85 November 24 through 27, and November 28 through December 4. They will sign VS6 and XX9. QSL via N200.

GL DE DX1 (VK2SG) VIA TG9VT.

Relayed via packet by Tad, KT7H @ N7HFZ.

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